Streamlining of the working of DESU

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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to refer to .the answer to the Unstarred Question 1012 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th May, 1993 and state:

(a) what is the amount of loss incurred by DESU due to power distribution) during the last three years and whether it is also a fact that DESU has not finalised its balancesheets for the Pasit several year; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for such loss and what steps Government propose to take for streamlining?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) The provisional figures of revenue losses incurred by DESU during the last three years are as follows:—

(Rs. in crores)

1990-91	208.82
1991-92	107.15
1992-93	243.76

DESU has so far finalised its Annual Account,, upto 1990-91 Losses are due to increase in input costs, substantial Transmission & Distribution losses and non optimal plant load factor. DESU is taking appropriate step* to offset: its revenue deficit. DESU is also taking appropriate measures for proper billing, recovery of dues from consumers, reduction in T&D losses and to effect economy in expenditure to improve its finan-cial position and modernisation of generating stations.

Setting up of, gas based power plants at Faridabad, Hissar, Dadri etc.

198. SHR S. S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a gas based thermal plant at Farida bad, if so, the details of the project;

(b) whether there is a plan to set up such Thermal Power Plants at Hissar, Dadri, Bhiwani, Kurukshetra, Narwana in the Stale of Haryana; and

(c) if so, the details thereof together with the progress made by each of them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) proposes to set up a gas based power project in Faridabad district of Haryana. The capacity of this project (Stage-I) is now envisaged as 400 MW corresponding to gas availability of 2.0 Metric Cubic Meters Per Day (MCMD).

(b) There is no proposal to set up gas based thermal plants at Hissar, Dadri, Bhiwani, Kurukshetra, Narwana in Haryana.

(c) The NTPC has obtained necessary clearances and commitments for basic inputs like land, water and gas, etc. for the Faridabad gas based project. The project has been posed to the OECF. (Japan) for financial assistance.